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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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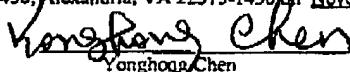
For: **PROCESS FOR LASER WELDING WITH PRE-AND/OR POST-HEATING IN
THE AREA OF THE WELDING SEAM**

Attorney Docket No.: 3926.070

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED 10/17/2006

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Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office action dated October 17, 2006, Applicants submit herewith following remarks:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

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